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From: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
To: Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, 13th Marines

Subj: Command Chronology of 5th 155mm Gun Battery (SP)(-)(Rein),
September 1967

1. Forwarded.



A. L. MICHAUX JR.
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 To: Commanding Officer, First Battalion, 13th Marines
 Via: (1) Commanding General, 3rd Marine Division

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 (-) (Rein), September 1967

1. Readdressed and forwarded.
2. Paragraph 3.c.(3), Change #1, of reference (b) states that commands having subordinate units which are required to submit chronologies should include the subordinate's report as part of their own chronology.
3. Accordingly, since First Battalion, 13th Marines has ADCON of the 5th 155mm Gun Battery, request this chronology be included as part of your chronology for September 1967.
4. This endorsement is downgraded to UNCLASSIFIED when removed from the basic correspondence.

Fred Haynes
 FRED HAYNES
 By direction

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1st Battalion, 13th Marines
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5750
30 Sept 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code AO3D)
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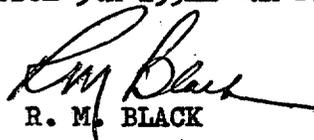
Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 September to 30 September 1967

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
 (b) FMFPacO 5750.8
 (c) First Endorsement on CO 5th 155mm GunBtry(SP)(Rein) ltr AJS:msc
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Encl: ✓(1) 5th 155mm Gun Battery (SP) (-) (Rein) Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a) and (b),
 Enclosure (1) is submitted.

2. Reference (c) stated this unit was to use actual designation of unit
 in Part I, Organizational Data. The actual designation is: 5th 155mm Gun
 Battery (SP) (-) (Rein); and this unit has received no messages or other
 authority to change the unit name. Unit diaries under RUC 21257 must be
 submitted to DPI-3 as originating from 5th 155mm Gun Battery (SP)(-)(Rein).


 R. M. BLACK

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5th 155mm Gun Battery, (SP)(Rein)
1st Battalion, 13th Marines
FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 September - 30 September 1967

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

5th 155mm Gun Battery (SP)(-)(Rein)

COMMANDER

Major R. M. BLACK
1Sept - 30Sept 1967

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Captain A. J. SCHMIDT
1Sept - 30Sept 1967

SUBORDINATE UNITS:

1st Platoon, 5th 155mm Gun Battery(SP)(-)(Rein)

Captain E. E. PARKER
1Sept - 30Sept 1967

2nd Platoon, 5th 155mm Gun Battery(SP)(-)(Rein)

Captain K. O. W. STEEN
1Sept - 30Sept 1967

ATTACHED UNITS

1st Platoon, 5th 8" Howitzer Battery (SP)

Captain A. J. SCHMIDT
1Sept - 30Sept 1967

2. LOCATION

1 - 30Sept 1967	Battery	13 miles south of Chu-Lai, RVN
1 - 30Sept 1967	2ndPlt	Hill 51 (Que Son), RVN
1 - 30Sept 1967	1stPlt	Cam Lo, RVN

3. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, the Battery missions remained unchanged: (a) Battery (-) (Rein) - General Support of Americal Division (formerly Task Force Oregon), and Reinforcing the fires of the 2nd ROK Marines Brigade Artillery; (b) 1st Platoon -- General Support of 3d Marine Division; reinforcing the fires of 12th Marines; (c) 2nd Platoon -- General Support of 5th Marines, reinforcing the fires of 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines. 1st Platoon remains attached to 1st 8 Inch Howitzer Battery, and 2nd Platoon attached to Delta - 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines.

On 10 September, the attached 1st Platoon, 5th 8 Inch Howitzer Battery (SP) received two M110, 8 Inch Full Tracked Howitzers, to replace two M55 8 Inch Howitzers. Registration and H & I missions were fired immediately, establishing this unit as the first Marine Corps unit to fire the M110 in regular service and the first in Vietnam Combat. The greatest majority of fire missions continues to be harassing and interdiction fires. There have been no combatant casualties among Battery personnel to date. During the period, the Battery (-) (Rein) fired 748 missions, 1706 rounds, principally in H & I fires in the Song Tra Kmuc Valley.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

5 September 1967	Battery (-)(Rein) commenced operation Dragon Fire in support of 2nd ROK Marine Brigade
5 September 1967	2nd Platoon commenced operation Swift near Que Son
10 September 1967	Received two M110 8 Inch, Full Tracked Howitzers -- assigned to 1st Platoon, 5th 8 Inch Howitzers Battery
15 September 1967	Operation Swift ends
20-22 September 1967	Battery Commander and First Sergeant visit 1st Platoon, and 1st Battalion, 13th Marines on liaison and administrative matters.
22 September 1967	Task Force Oregon becomes Americal Division
25 September 1967	2nd Platoon commences operation Dakota.
27 September 1967	Vietnames bus hits mine outside perimeter gate: 8 civilians killed, one wounded
27 September 1967	Operation Dakota ends
28 September 1967	UER on M110 submitted to HQMC
30 September 1967	Operation Dragon Fire continues

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